THE HON. DR. S. GURUBATHAM :—" That is not the proper conclusion to be arrived it."

DR. V. K. JOHN :—" Is it correct to say, Sir, that the Government have established a cottage industry for illicit distillation by extending Prohibition? "

THE HON. DR. S. GURUBATHAM :—" The implication is not true."

SRI R. SURYANARAYANA RAO :—" May I know, Sir, whether the number of cases of illicit distillation is greater than cases of illicit tapping or practically illicit tapping is absent? "

THE HON. DR. S. GURUBATHAM :—" Illicit tapping is not completely absent. There is a small percentage where we have allowed jaggery production. Where we have got about a thousand licences, only about 25 cases have been recorded and that is such a negligible number."

UNSTARRED QUESTIONS.

Total number of composing elementary education centres.

9 *Q.*—SRI R. SURYANARAYANA RAO : Will the Hon. the Minister for Education be pleased to place on the table of the House a statement giving the number of villages in each district where compulsory elementary education has been introduced, the cost of each scheme to the Government, increase in the number of pupils since the introduction of compulsion?

A.—A statement [a] giving particulars about the number of villages selected for the introduction of compulsory elementary education is laid on the table of the House.

The expenditure incurred on the scheme during the years 1945–46 to 1947–48 was as follows :—

Years.	Expenditure.
	RS.
1945–46	13,72,337
1946–47	50,53,513
1947–48	33,04,644

The number of pupils enrolled up to 31st December 1946 was 1·69 lakhs. Information regarding children brought to schools after that date is not available.

Expenditure incurred by certain committees.

10 *Q.*—SRI B. BHIMA RAO : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to lay on the table a statement showing the total expenditure incurred by the committees referred to hereunder as also the amounts drawn by each individual member thereof towards travelling, daily and other allowances.

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[a] Printed as Appendix V on page 101 infra.

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(1) Industrial Planning Committee;
(2) Water-supply and Drainage Committee;
(3) Harijan Welfare Committee;
(4) Prohibition Committee;
(5) Madras Provincial Housing Committee; and
(6) Retrenchment Committee?

A.—A statement [a] is laid on the table of the House.

Admission into the Engineering Colleges.

11 Q.—SRI B. BHIMA RAO: Will the Hon. the Minister for Education be pleased to state—

(a) with reference to the Engineering Colleges in the Province, the total number of applications received from candidates for admission;

(b) the number of applications from each community—

(1) Brahmans, (2) Non-Brahmans, (3) Harijans, (4) Muslims, (5) Indian Christians and (6) Anglo-Indians;

(c) the number of admissions for each community as mentioned above;

(d) the number of applicants who had taken the Degree of B.Sc., or other equivalent degrees or higher degrees;

(e) the number of applicants who had passed Intermediate Examination of the Madras University or any other University in first class; and

(f) the number of those who were eventually found to be disqualified for admission?

A.—(a) The total number of applications received for admission into Engineering Colleges in 1948–49 is 2,456.

(b) The number of applications received from each community is as follows:—

Brahmans	1,153
Non-Brahmans	944
Harijans	18
Muslims	75
Indian Christians and Anglo-Indians	130
Others	136

(c) The number of admissions from each community is as follows:—

Brahmans	66
Non-Brahmans	237
Harijans	18
Muslims	22
Anglo-Indians and Indian Christians	31
Others	6

[a] **Printed as Appendix VI on pages 102–105 infra.**

(*d*) The number of applicants who had taken the B.Sc. or other equivalent degrees or higher degrees is 327.

(*e*) The number of applicants who passed the Intermediate Examination in first class is 984.

(*f*) The number of those who were eventually found to be disqualified for admission is 2,076.

Rayalaseema students admitted in the Engineering Colleges.

12 *Q.*—SRI B. BHIMA RAO: Will the Hon. the Minister for Education be pleased to lay on the table of the House—

(*a*) a list of those who have been selected for admission to the Engineering Colleges from the districts of Rayalaseema together with the marks obtained by them in their group subjects; and

(*b*) the names of the topmost six of the applicants from the Brahman community who have been refused admission into the colleges and the marks obtained by them in their group subjects?

A.—(*a*) The list of those who have been selected has been published on pages 445–448 of Part I-B of the *Fort St. George Gazette*, dated 6th July 1948. Information regarding marks is not readily available.

(*b*) It is not in public interest to give out individual names of students.

City students admitted into the Engineering Colleges.

13 *Q.*—SRI B. BHIMA RAO: Will the Hon. the Minister for Education be pleased to lay on the table of the House—

(*a*) a list of those who have been selected for admission to the Engineering Colleges from the City of Madras together with the marks obtained by them in their group subjects; and

(*b*) the names of the topmost six of the applicants from the Brahman community who have been refused admission into the colleges and the marks obtained by them in their group subjects?

A.—(*a*) & (*b*) Attention of the hon. Member is invited to the answer to unstarred Council Question No. 12.

Students of Tanjore district admitted into the Engineering Colleges.

14 *Q.*—SRI B. BHIMA RAO: Will the Hon. the Minister for Education be pleased to lay on the table of the House—

(*a*) a list of those who have been selected for admission to the Engineering Colleges from Tanjore district together with the marks obtained by them in their group subjects; and

(*b*) the names of the topmost six of the applicants from the Brahman community who have been refused admission into the colleges and the marks obtained by them in their group subjects?

A.—(*a*) & (*b*) Attention of the hon. Member is invited to the answer to unstarred Council Question No. 12.

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Admission to Colleges.

15 Q.—Sri B. BHIMA RAO: Will the Hon. the Minister for Education be pleased to get from the Chairman of the Selection Committee the table or tables prepared by the Committee for admission to Colleges showing the details of qualifications, etc., districtwar and communitywar and place the same in the Legislature Library for reference by the Members?

A.—The Government do not think that any purpose will be served by placing such a list in the Legislature Library.

List of those promoted as Assistant Commercial Tax Officers.

16 Q.—Sri B. BHIMA RAO: Will the Hon. the Minister for Firka Development be pleased to—

(a) furnish a list of the names of Sub-Inspectors, Assistant Inspectors in the Excise Department who have been promoted as Assistant Commercial Tax Officers, Assistant Prohibition Officers, Inspectors of Police and Deputy Superintendents of Police since June 1947, together with the date of entries of service and the caste to which they belong;

(b) state whether these promotions have been made on the basis of seniority; and if not, on what other grounds;

(c) state whether these gentlemen have superseded several others in having such promotions; and

(d) state whether the communal Government Order has been observed in making the above promotions?

A.—(a) The information required is given in the annexure.[a]

(b) The appointments and promotions mentioned in the annexure were made on the basis of merit and ability. Seniority was considered when merit and ability were approximately equal.

(c) Some persons who did not come up to the standard and were found unfit for promotion may have been superseded.

(d) The communal Government Order has no application to the appointments and promotions in the annexure.

Travelling allowance drawn by the Deputy Commissioner (Prohibition Enforcement).

17 Q.—Sri B. BHIMA RAO: Will the Hon. the Minister for Firka Development be pleased to state what is the amount of travelling allowance drawn by the Deputy Commissioner (Prohibition Enforcement) during the year 1947–48 for each month?

[a] Printed as Appendix VII on pages 105-107 infra.

A.—The amount of travelling allowance drawn by the Deputy Commissioner (Prohibition Enforcement) during the year 1947–48 is as follows :—

		RS.	A.	P.
1947	April	358	13	0
	May	806	1	0
	June	311	3	0
	July	894	5	0
	August	304	13	0
	September ..	578	11	0
	October	613	11	0
	November ..	769	10	0
	December ..	482	8	0
1948	January	632	14	0
	February	451	3	0
	March	594	15	0

Rules regulating admissions into Colleges.

18 *Q.*—Sri B. BHIMA RAO : Will the Hon. the Minister for Education be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether he has perused the note entitled "*Communal Representation with Vengeance*" published in *Harijan* of July 11th, 1948, at page 168;

(*b*) whether the Government have received any communication from the Dominion Government or the Prime Minister of India or the Hon. the Minister for Education in Dominion Government about the communal policy of the Madras Government in the Education Department;

(*c*) whether the Madras Government have sent any reply thereto ; and if so, whether the Government will be pleased to publish the communication that they received as well as the reply sent ; and

(*d*) whether the Government propose to revise their communal policy with regard to admission of students into professional colleges?

A.—(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) & (*c*) The Government of India made certain enquiries with regard to these rules regulating admissions into the colleges in this Province and the Madras Government have sent their reply.

(*d*) Does not arise.

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Commissioners of Municipalities.

19 *Q.*—SRI B. BHIMA RAO: Will the Hon. the Minister for Local Administration be pleased—

(*a*) to lay on the table of the House a list of names of those who were appointed as Commissioners of Municipalities made after 15th March 1948, together with their dates of original entry into service, the office and status of their previous appointments, their qualifications and the districts to which their parents belong;

(*b*) how many of those are natives of the districts of Rayalaseema; and

(*c*) what the reasons are for the Government for ignoring the claims of Rayalaseema in making the above appointments?

A.—(*a*) A statement [a] is laid on the table of the House.

(*b*) One.

(*c*) The selection of candidates for appointment as Commissioners was made on grounds of merit and qualifications and not on a districtwar basis.

Inspection of stocks in the Co-operative Stores of the Province.

20 *Q.*—SRI B. BHIMA RAO: Will the Hon. the Minister for Local Administration be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Registrar of Co-operative Societies made any arrangements for the inspection of stocks in the various Central Co-operative Stores of the Province at the end of June 1948; and, if so, who was appointed to inspect the stocks in the Central Co-operative Stores of the districts of Rayalaseema;

(*b*) whether he was reminded of this statutory duty by the member (i.e., myself) on 24th June 1948; and whether the officer took any action thereon; and, if so, to what effect;

(*c*) whether the Registrar or any other authority had appointed Sri K. G. Sivaswami, M.A., of the Servants of India Society to inspect the stocks held by the Bellary Central Co-operative Stores in March 1948;

(*d*) whether any protest was raised with regard to such appointment; and, if so, by whom; and

(*e*) whether the said appointment was subsequently cancelled; and, if so, by whom?

A.—(*a*) There are standing instructions to all Deputy Registrars to get the stock of all Stores Societies including Central Stores verified at the end of the co-operative year. Senior Inspectors of Co-operative Societies and in some cases Co-operative Sub-Registrars were deputed for verification of stocks in the Central Co-operative Stores of the districts of Rayalaseema.

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[a] Printed as Appendix VIII on pages 108–111 infra.

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(b) On 24th June 1948, the hon. Member sent a letter to the Registrar stating that the stocks in the Central Stores are not generally inspected and that the auditors take the balance of stock shown in accounts as correct. The Member suggested that the stocks should be verified by an independent authority. In reply the Registrar informed the hon. Member that only the value of the stocks *verified* is taken to the balance sheet. The Member was also informed that if any specific instance where this was not done was brought to his notice suitable action would be taken.

(c) Neither the Registrar of Co-operative Societies, nor any other authority appointed Sri K. G. Sivaswami of the Servants of India Society to inspect the stocks held by the Bellary Central Co-operative Stores.

(d) & (e) In view of the answer to clause (c) these questions do not arise.

Number of political sufferers, etc., absorbed in Government services.

21 Q.—SRI A. GOVINDACHARYULU: Will the Hon. the Premier be pleased to place on the table in a tabular form—

(a) the number of political sufferers, war service men and I.N.A. men absorbed into Government service;

(b) the departments, their cadre, their age and their qualifications; and

(c) the percentage of posts reserved for these three classes of men?

A.—(a) Up to 31st July 1948, 38,730 ex-servicemen and 80 I.N.A. men have been absorbed into Government service. The Government have no information about the number of political sufferers so absorbed.

(b) The collection of the information asked for will involve an amount of labour and correspondence which would not be commensurate with the public interest served.

(c) No posts have been reserved for political sufferers. For ex-servicemen (including I.N.A. men) vacancies were reserved as follows :—

(i) 33-1/3 per cent of all substantive vacancies to be filled by direct recruitment which arose between 1st April 1941 and 31st December 1942.

(ii) 66-2/3 per cent of all substantive vacancies to be filled by direct recruitment which arose between 1st January 1943 and 31st March 1947.

(iii) 66-2/3 per cent of longstanding temporary vacancies to be filled by direct recruitment which were in existence on 1st February 1946 and which arose between 1st February 1946 and 31st March 1947.

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On 7th January 1948 the Government directed that of the war reserved vacancies for which war service candidates had not been selected so far, a maximum of 10 per cent should be allotted to I.N.A. men who had already applied for such vacancies. It was also directed that in the case of posts in the Special Police Units not more than 5 per cent should be so allotted.

[*Note.*—**An asterisk (*) at the commencement of a speech indicates revision by the Member.**]

II.—MESSAGES FROM THE ASSEMBLY.

DEPUTY PRESIDENT :—" I have to announce to the House that the following messages have been received by the Hon. President from the Hon. the Speaker of the Madras Legislative Assembly :—

' I. In accordance with rule 108 of the Madras Assembly Rules, I transmit a copy of the Madras Weights and Measures Bill, 1947 (L.C. Bill No. 2 of 1948) as agreed to by the Assembly without any amendment and signed by me.'

II. I have to announce to the House that the following messages have been received by the Hon. President from the Hon. the Speaker of the Madras Legislative Assembly transmitting copies of the following Bills as passed by the Assembly :—

(1) On 3rd September 1948. **The Land Acquisition (Madras Amendment) Bill, 1948 (L.A. Bill No. 26 of 1948),**

(2) On 25th October 1948. **The Madras Public Libraries Bill, 1947 (L.A. Bill No. 9 of 1948),**

(3) On 27th October 1948. **The Madras Estates (Repeal of the Permanent Settlement and Conversion into Ryotwari) Bill, 1947 (L.A. Bill No. 37 of 1947),**

(4) On 29th October 1948. **The Madras Agriculturists' Relief (Amendment) Bill, 1947 (L.A. Bill No. 4 of 1948),**

The Cotton Ginning and Pressing Factories (Madras Amendment) Bill, 1948 (L.A. Bill No. 28 of 1948),

The Madras Prohibition (Second Amendment) Bill, 1948 (L.A. Bill No. 27 of 1948)

and signed by him for the concurrence of the Council.